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Dear Friends:

Welcome to the 2007 fair which showcases Michigan's second largest industry – agriculture – and its amazing diversity.

We are proud of our fairs and the opportunity they provide our 4-H and FFA youth to both demonstrate what they have accomplished and to compete against their peers. I'm certain you will be amazed by the livestock exhibits which feature the cows, horses, pigs, rabbits, poultry, and more raised by 4-H and FFA members; and by the dozens of other displays located throughout the fairgrounds.

Our county and local fairs reflect Michigan's rich agricultural heritage, while helping to educate us about regional cultures and local traditions. This living link from our past to the present helps strengthen our communities and our families, and it shows us the promise that agriculture holds for the future.

I personally invite you to visit any one of Michigan's county and local fairs this year. Make it your summer family tradition.

Sincerely yours,

Jennifer M. Granholm

Governor